Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Sir, as the Hon'ble Member for Trichur said that there is more of insinuation than any real purpose in this resolution, I move under S. O. 26 that the Council may pass to the next business.

Mr. T. K. Nayar.—I second it.

Motion for adjournment put and carried.

2. Grant to Municipalities—Fixing the minimum.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—"This Council recommends to the Government that orders may be passed fixing a minimum grant to the several Municipalities of the State so as to enable them to frame their budgets in future with an approximate idea of their receipts from this source."

Sir, as the resolution is self-explanatory I shall only read it now.

The object of the motion is also made clear at the fag end of it. Now the only question that may arise in the mind of the Government is with regard to the grant itself, i. e., whether the Government will be required to make an additional grant in the sense that they have now committed themselves to grant. With regard to that also I may just inform the House that according to the orders passed with regard to the grant of maintenance allowance for trunk roads of the Municipalities they are entitled to a certain amount according to the mileage of the roads under their control. At least even that sum may be made a preliminary grant so that the Municipalities may frame their budgets with some idea as to their sources from this particular item. It is only to enable the Municipality to anticipate more or less correctly their income that I want to request the Government to make this preliminary grant so that as the time is approaching for framing the budget it may be done. It will not involve any additional grant.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—I second it.

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The road grant will be communicated to the Municipality sufficiently early to give them time to frame their budget.

Mr. P. Krishna Menon.—On that assurance I beg leave of the House to withdraw my motion.

Resolution was, with leave, withdrawn.

3. Water supply to houses served by one service connection.

Mr. George Chakyamuri.—Sir, my resolution runs thus:—

"This Council recommends to the Government that, in cases where more than one house is served by the same service connection, a free allowance

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